In 2 Samuel, King David, who represented such hope for the people of Israel, has made a series of missteps and choices that ripple tragically throughout his life. David’s son, Absalom, rebels against his father and is killed in battle. The victory of David’s army is overshadowed by his anguish over the loss of his beloved son. In the letter to the Ephesians, Paul seeks to equip Jesus’ disciples with the virtues that will guide them to be a community of unity and love. In the gospel lesson, Jesus says, “I am the bread of life,” the first of seven “I am” sayings in John’s gospel. As the bread, Jesus reveals that he is the one who nourishes us, and we are to rely on him for eternal life.
The congregation is asked to remain silent
during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.

**GATHERING**

**CARILLON**

**ORGAN PRELUDE**

- A Prophecy for Organ
  
  Daniel Pinkham
  
  (1923-2006)

- Seven short chorale preludes
  
  Ernst Pepping
  
  (from *Kleines Orgelbuch*)
  
  (1901-1981)

**GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 443 (sung to the tune at 435)*

  O God Who Shaped Creation
  
  LLANGLOFFAN

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE (in unison)**

  The minister offers words of confession in three biddings, to which the congregation responds as follows:

  Lord have mercy.
  
  **Lord have mercy.**

  Christ have mercy.
  
  **Christ have mercy.**

  Lord have mercy.
  
  **Lord have mercy.**

  The minister speaks words of assurance.

*PEACE*

  (All exchange signs and words of God’s peace.)

**PROCLAMATION**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)**

  Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, shape us by your word, and give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—2 Samuel 18:5-15, 19-33

(OT pages 279-80 in the pew Bible)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Hear My Prayer

Moses Hogan
(1957-2003)

O Lord, please hear my prayer
In the morning when I rise.
It’s your servant bound for glory.
O dear Lord, please hear my prayer.

O Lord, please hear my prayer.
Keep me safe within your arms.
It’s your servant bound for glory.
O dear Lord, please hear my prayer.

When my work on earth is done,
And you come to take me home.
Just to know I’m bound for glory
And to hear you say, “Well done!”

Done with sin and sorrow.
Have mercy. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON—Ephesians 4:25-5:2 (NT page 183)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*GRADUAL HYMN 510 (stanza 1)

Come, Ye Disconsolate

(All turn to face the Gospel Procession.)

*GOSPEL LESSON—John 6:35, 41-51 (NT pages 92-93)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*GRADUAL HYMN 510 (stanzas 2-3)

Come, Ye Disconsolate

SERMON—Lament for a Son

RESPONSE

*THE APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth
at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CALL TO PRAYER
Minister: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Minister: Let us pray.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
(The congregation responds to each petition: “Hear our prayer.”)

OFFERTORY
Out of the Deep (from *Requiem*)

Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice. O let thine ears consider well the voice of my complaint. If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss, O Lord, who may abide it? For there is mercy with thee; therefore shalt thou be feared. I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for him; in his word is my trust. My soul fleeth unto the Lord, before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch. O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy, and with him is plenteous redemption. And he shall redeem Israel from all his sins.

—Psalm 130

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

THANKSGIVING

This morning we give thanks for the Duke International Office and its work with students and faculty from other countries. We celebrate it is a place of hospitality and logistical assistance for people acclimating to life in the U.S. The ushers bring a list of FAQs from the International Office website to the altar.

In Durham, we remember volunteers within our community who help recently released prisoners adjust to newly directed life. The ushers bring forward a photo of Duke Chapel’s Reconciliation and Re-entry Team.

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*THE LORD’S PRAYER (number 895 in the hymnal, in unison)
**Sending Forth**

*BenEDICTION*

*Recessional Hymn 399*
Take My Life, and Let It Be

**Choral Blessing**
Seven-Fold Amen

**Postlude**
Sketch in B flat minor, Op. 41, No. 3

**Carillon**

*All who are able may stand.*

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Organist
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Dr. James Ferguson and Mr. Rick Wilfong

Carillonneur
Mr. J. Samuel Hammond
CHAPEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY’S FLOWERS—Today’s Flowers are given to the glory of God by the Erlenbach Family Trust.

TODAY’S OFFERING—All of today’s cash offerings and undesignated checks will be used to support human service organizations in the greater Durham area. These nonprofit organizations are identified to receive funds by a panel of Congregation members, Friends of Duke Chapel, and students. The grant-making process not only benefits people in need but also seeks to introduce students to faithful stewardship and community development.

SCAFFOLDING IN THE CHAPEL—Please excuse the scaffolding in the Chapel. The scaffolding closest to the entrance is in place to reinstall the Chapel’s stained glass “Joel” window, which has been away for the last year to be cleaned and repaired. An ongoing process is under way to restore the Chapel’s stained glass windows. The scaffolding in the middle of the Chapel is in place to allow examination of some cracks in the ribs of the Chapel ceiling.

LAST DAY OF SUMMER CHOIR—Today is the last Sunday for the Summer Choir. The Chapel is grateful for its choral leadership over the summer, and for Brian Schmidt, who conducted the choir in recent weeks. The Chapel Choir will return to lead worship beginning on Sunday, August 26. If you are interested in auditioning for the Chapel Choir, please call 919-684-3898 for details. Auditions take place the week of August 27.

VISITING THE CHAPEL—The Chapel often has weddings booked on Saturdays and Sunday afternoons, especially during the summer months. If a wedding is taking place, visitors will not be permitted inside. Before visiting on a weekend, please call 681-9488 to learn when the Chapel will be open to the public.

UPCOMING PREACHING SCHEDULE

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The following Congregation opportunities are open to all.

**Summer Environmental Movie on the Lawn**—On Friday, August 17, please join the Environmental Stewardship Committee on the Chapel quad for an environmental movie, *Ingredients*. The viewing will begin at dusk (around 8:30 p.m.). Drinks and popcorn will be provided. Bring lawn chairs, blankets, and your own food and drinks to enjoy a fun evening outside. There will be a discussion on how the insights of this film can help people of faith become better stewards of creation. Friends from other churches and religious faiths are invited to share in this event. If you have any questions, please contact Brad Troxell at 919-684-3917 or brad.troxell@duke.edu.

**Dinner at Urban Ministries**—Each month the Congregation provides a meal for homeless guests at Urban Ministries of Durham. If you would like to donate lasagnas, serve one of the next meals, or acquire more information, please contact Ned Arnett at 919-489-4133 or email edward.arnett@duke.edu.

**Youth Ministry**—Sunday school classes for youth (grades 6-12) are held in the Divinity Student Lounge at 9:45 a.m., and Youth Fellowship occurs at 5:00 p.m. each Sunday in the Chapel basement. For more information, contact Brad Troxell at brad.troxell@duke.edu or by calling 919-684-3917.

**Open Table Ministries**—The Congregation is looking for individuals who are interested in helping Lisa Lark in her ministry to homeless people on 9th Street. This ministry provides a meal on Tuesdays each week at 4:00 p.m. If you are interested in visiting, occasionally bringing food, or serving in any other way, please contact the Rev. Bruce Puckett at bruce.puckett@duke.edu or at 684-3917.

**Prayer Ministry**—The Duke Chapel prayer ministry team is available to pray for you. If you have a concern for which you would like prayer offered, or if you would like to pray for others, please send an email with your request to chapel-prayers@duke.edu. You may also place your prayer request or your prayer for others in the prayer box beside the Memorial Chapel. All submissions are confidential.

**Inviting Nursery Attendants**—The Congregation is seeking to hire weekly nursery attendants to assist with childcare each week during the worship service. Substitute attendants are also needed to help out occasionally. For more information, please contact Bruce Puckett at bruce.puckett@duke.edu.
Duke University Chapel

Duke Chapel is a grand building, suitable for hosting major events in the life of the University and its members; it acts as a moderator for the diversity of religious identity and expression on campus; and it is a Christian church of an unusually interdenominational character, with a tradition of stirring music, preaching, and liturgy. We welcome you to our life of worship, learning, dialogue, and service.

FOR WORSHIPERS & VISITORS
† Prayer requests may be placed in the prayer box located by the Memorial Chapel.
† For a tour of Duke Chapel, meet today’s docent near the front steps of the Chapel following the service.
† Hearing assist units and a Braille hymnal are available at the attendant’s desk at the entry way of the Chapel. See the Chapel attendant if you would like to use one of our large-print Bibles or hymnals for the worship service this morning.

FOR FAMILIES & CHILDREN
† Children 4 and younger are welcome to visit the nursery (capacity limited), located in the Chapel basement, beginning at 10:50 a.m. each week. Pagers are available for parents to keep with them during worship. Parents needing a place to feed, quiet, or change infants are also welcome.
† Activity Bags (for children 5 and under) and Liturgy Boxes (ages 5-8) are available at the rear of the Chapel to help children engage in worship. Please return after the service.

We invite you to consider joining the Congregation at Duke Chapel. The Congregation is an interdenominational church with a variety of vibrant ministries, including discipleship and spiritual formation (for children, youth, and adults), mission and outreach, and pastoral care. If you are interested in making Duke Chapel your home church, please contact the Rev. Bruce Puckett at 684-3917. www.congregation.chapel.duke.edu

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